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SUMMARY: GKR DELEGATION HAS LEFT JAKARTA AFTER FIVE DAYS OF REASONABLY SUCCESSFUL WORK IN WHICH THEY WERE MUCH ASSISTED BY INDONESIAN FOREIGN DEPARTMENT AND FOREIGN MINISTER HIMSELF. END SUMMARY

1. MAY 15 KHMER AMBASSADOR OUNG HIEAM OFFERED POLITICAL COUNSELOR A WRAP-UP ON THE JUST-CONCLUDED VISIT OF LT. GENERAL SAK SUTSAKHAN, BRIG. GENERAL LES KOSEM, AND CAREER DIPLOMAT YIM KONG SAINGVET, COUNSELOR OF KHMER EMBASSY RANGOON. THE AMBASSADOR SAID THAT MISSION WOULD HAVE BEEN A SUCCESS IF ONLY FOR THE CONTACT ESTABLISHED WITH THE SAUDI ARABIAN EMBASSY AND PROGRESS MADE TOWARD ESTABLISHMENT OF DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS BETWEEN THE TWO GOVERNMENTS.

2. IN ADDITION, HOWEVER, AMBASSADOR AND HIS VISITORS SPOKE WITH IRANIAN CHARGE AND EGYPTIAN EMBASSY. FOREIGN MINISTER ADAM MALIK HAD ASSISTED KHMERS IN OBTAINING THESE APPOINTMENTS. MALIK ALSO OBTAINED APPOINTMENT WITH IRAQI EMBASSY FOR KHMERS BUT IRAQIS CANCELLED IT AT VERY LAST MINUTE. AMBASSADOR OUNG HIEAM BELIEVES IRAQIS, WHO HAVE RECOGNIZED THE GRUNK, ACCEPTED THE APPOINTMENT IN ERROR. MALIK ALSO RECEIVED KHMERS AT HIS OFFICE AND, JUST BEFORE THEIR DEPARTURE FROM JAKARTA, AT HIS RESIDENCE. DIRECTOR GENERAL FOR POLITICAL AFFAIRS DJAJADININGRAT HOSTED A LUNCHEON FOR THEM. VISITORS DEPARTED JAKARTA NOON MAY 15 FOR SINGAPORE.

3. IN PARTICULARLY FRIENDLY AND SEPARATE CONVESATIONS WITH INDONESIAN FOREIGN DEPARTMENT AND SAUDI EMBASSY, KHMERS PRESENTED THEIR PLAN TO SEND TWO MISSIONS TO SAUDI ARABIA: A DIPLOMATIC MISSION FROM THE FOREIGN MINISTRY AND A ELIGIOUS MISSION. SAUDI AMBASSADOR AGREED TO URGE HIS GOVERNMENT TO PREPARE FOR THESE VISITS AND PROMISED TO KEEP IN TOUCH WITH KHMER AMBASSADOR; HE REPEATED THAT SAUDI ARABIA WOULD NEVER HAVE RELATIONS WITH SIHANOUK, NOTING THAT SIHANOUK HAD ESTABLISHED DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH ISRAEL. THE KHMERS NOTED APOLOGETICALLY THAT THEY WERE STUCK WITH ISRAELI PRESENCE IN PHNOM PENH AS A RESULT OF SIHANOUK'S ACTION
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BUT ADDED RELATIONS WERE NOT CLOSE AND WERE IN ANY CASE SIHANOUK'S FAULT. KHMERS SAID THEY COULD NOT VERY EASILY THROW THE ISRAELIS OUT. THE SAUDI ARABIAN AMBASSADOR EXPRESSED UNDERSTANDING.

4. THE KHMERS WERE RECEIVED BY THE CHARGE OF IRANIAN EMBASSY. HE PROMISED TO INFORM HIS GOVERNMENT OF THEIR REQUEST AND URGE SUPPORT OF PLANNED VISIT.

5. EGYPTIAN AMBASSADOR WAS OUT OF TOWN AND PERSON IN CHARGE OF EMBASSY DID NOT FEEL HE COULD CONDUCT CONVERSATIONS WITH KHMERS.

6. THE AMBASSADOR WAS PARTICULARLY GRATEFUL FOR ADAM MALIK'S DIRECT AND USEFUL ASSISTANCE. MALIK ASSURED HIS KHMER GUESTS OF GOI SUPPORT FOR THEIR UNDERTAKING AND SAID PRESIDENT SUHARTO HAD TOLD HIM TO BE HELPFUL TO KHMER VISITORS IN EVERY POSSIBLE WAY.

7. AMBASSADOR OUNG HIEM THANKED U.S. EMBASSY FOR ITS OFFER TO BE OF ASSISTANCE AND APOLOGIZED FOR GROUP'S FAILURE TO CALL ON US, NOTING THAT VISITOR'S HAD NO FREE TIME. AS A MATTER OF FACT, INDONESIAN WERE SO HELPFUL AND KHMERS SO SUCCESSFUL IN STATING THEIR CASE THAT NO ASSISTANCE NEEDED FROM US, WHICH WAS FINE WITH ALL CONCERNED.

8. AMBASSADOR NEWSOM EXPRESSED APPRECIATION FOR INDONESIAN HELP DURING MAY 16 MEETING WITH MALIK.

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